



Docket No.: 1691-0215PUS1 (PATENT)

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Hironobu NAGOH et al.

Application No.: 10/567,790

Confirmation No.: @@@

Filed: February 9, 2006

Art Unit: N/A

For: CURABLE COMPOSITION

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (SUBMISSION AFTER FILING OF AN APPLICATION BUT BEFORE FINAL REJECTION OR NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE OR CONCURRENTLY WITH A RULE 1.114 RCE APPLICATION)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

### I. <u>LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION</u>

The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on the PTO-SB08(s), attached hereto.

#### II. <u>COPIES</u>

a. Copies of cited U.S. patents and patent application publications are not included.

<u>Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are included.</u>

Application No.: 10/567,790 Docket No.: 1691-0215PUS1

b. Some or all of the documents listed on the PTO-SB08 are not enclosed because they were cited in the International Search Report and copies should already be in the PTO file. If copies are needed, please contact the undersigned.

© C. REFERENCES PREVIOUSLY CITED OR SUBMITTED - Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), consideration of information listed on the PTO-SB08 form(s) is requested since any patents, publications, or other information which are listed on the PTO-SB08 form(s) but for which copies are not enclosed herewith, were previously cited by or submitted to the PTO in one of the following applications which has been relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120:

#### U.S. Appl. No(s) and U.S. Filing Date

# III. CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE

(check at least one box)

a. <u>DOCUMENTS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE</u> - The patents, publications, or other information listed on the attached PTO SB08 are in the English language and therefore, do not require a statement of relevancy.

b. <u>DOCUMENTS NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE</u> - A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:

WO 03/011967 A1 - is discussed on page 2 of the present specification and also see the attached English abstract and corresponding U.S. 2004/0220292 A1;

JP 2003-128713 A - see the attached English abstract;

JP 2002-341297 A - see the attached English abstract.

Application No.: 10/567,790 Docket No.: 1691-0215PUS1 c. ENGLISH LANGUAGE SEARCH REPORT - An English language version of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached. thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(III)(A)(3). 冈 d. OTHER - The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration. WO 01/02449 A2 corresponds to US 2004/0109133 A1. IV. <u>FEES</u> (check one box) This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the filing a. of a new patent application; therefore, no fee is required. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrent with the filing of b. a continuation-in-part, continuation, or divisional patent application; therefore, no fee is required.  $\boxtimes$ c. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of a national application (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1)). No fee or statement is required. (This section is not to be used with RCE's.) П d. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(2)). No fee or statement is required. e. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under § 1.114 (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4)). No fee or statement is required. f. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3)). No fee or statement is required. In the event that a first Office Action on the merits has been issued, please consider this IDS under 37 C.F.R.

3 MSW/sh

				under 37 C.		• •			has been	n
		Action unde	er 37 C.I	Disclosure S F.R. § 1.113 ider 37 C.F.F	(See 37 C	C.F.R. § 1.9	97(c)(1)) c	or before the		
	or	No statem	ent; ther	refore, a fee	as required	by 37 C.F	.R. § 1.17	(p) is attach	ed.	
	☐ See	the statem	ient belo	ow. No fee is	required.		•			
V.	STAT	EMENT UI	NDER 3	37 C.F.R. § 1	.97(e)					
	(check	only one b	ox)							
	The ur	ndersigned l	hereby s	states that:						
	a.	Each iter	m of in	nformation	contained	l in the l	DS was	first cited	l in an	y
comm	unicati	on from a	foreign	Patent Offi	ce in a co	unterpart	foreign a	pplication 1	not mor	e
than 3	30 days	prior to th	e filing	of this IDS;	or					
	b.	Each iten	n of ir	nformation	contained	in the I	DS was	first cited	in an	y
comm	unicatio	n from a fo	oreign P	Patent Office	in a coun	terpart fore	eign applic	cation not n	nore tha	n
three r	nonths j	prior to the	filing of	f this IDS; or	r					
	c.	No item of	f inform	nation contain	ned in the	IDS was ci	ted in a co	mmunicatio	on from	a
				erpart foreig						
signin	g the co	ertification	after m	naking reaso	nable inqu	iry, no ite	m of IDS	was know	n to an	y
				.R. § 1.56(c)	_	•				
	d.	Some of t	he items	s of informa	tion were	cited in a c	communic	ation from	a foreig	n
Patent	Office	. As to thi	is inforr	mation, the	undersigne	ed states the	hat each	item of inf	formation MSW/s	

Docket No.: 1691-0215PUS1

Application No.: 10/567,790

Application No.: 10/567,790 Docket No.: 1691-0215PUS1

contained in the IDS was first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS. As to the remaining information, the undersigned hereby states that no item of this remaining information contained in the IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the best of my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

# VI. PAYMENT OF FEES (check one box)

	The required fee is listed on the attached Fee Transmittal.
$\boxtimes$	No fee is required.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this IDS, he/she is requested to contact the undersigned. If it is determined that this IDS has been filed under the wrong rule, the PTO is requested to consider this IDS under the proper rule and charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

5 MSW/sh

Application No.: 10/567,790 Docket No.: 1691-0215PUS1

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

$\Box$	~4	_	J	
. ,	aт	•	( 1	

MAY 9 2006

Respectfully submitted,

Marc S. Weiner

Registration No.: 32,181

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

8110 Gatehouse Road

Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747

Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

Attorney for Applicant

## Attachment(s):

$\boxtimes$	PTO-SB08
$\boxtimes$	Documents
	Foreign Search Report
	Fee
	Other:



PTO/SB/08a/b (07-05)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Sut	ostitute for form 1449A/B/PT	·o		Complete if Known		
				Application Number	10/567,790	
11	NFORMATION	N DI	SCLOSURE	Filing Date	February 9, 2006	
S	TATEMENT E	BY A	APPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Hironobu NAGOH	
				Art Unit	N/A	
	(Use as many sh	eets as	necessary)	Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned	
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	1691-0215PUS1	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
		Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear				
	AA*	US-2004-109133-A1	06-10-2004	Kadowaki, Shinichiro		
	AB*	US-2004/0220292-A1	11-04-2004	Momoda et al.		

		FOREI	GN PATENT D	OCUMENTS		
Examiner	Cite	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date Na	Name of Patentee or	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages	
Initials*	No.1	Country Code <sup>3</sup> -Number <sup>4</sup> -Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Applicant of Cited Document	or Relevant Figures Appear	
	ВА	JP-2003-128713-A	05-08-2003			1
	вв	JP-2002-341297-A	11-27-2002			1
	ВС	WO-01/2449-A2	01-11-2001			1
	BD	JP-5-34649-A	02-12-1993			1
	BE	WO-03/011967-A1	02-13-2003			1

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. \* CITE NO.: Those application(s) which are marked with an single asterisk (\*) next to the Cite No. are not supplied (under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(iii)) because that application was filed after June 30, 2003 or is available in the IFW. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁴ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>2</sup>			

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Examiner	Date	
Signature	 Considered	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.